

CANADA.

Appendix to
Report of the Agent
for Emigration.

given by the magistrates on the construction of this clause, proceedings were not entered against him, more particularly as no complaints were made, and they having a surplus stock on landing.

The "John Bell," from New Ross, and "China," from Limerick, have made their second voyage this season. The passengers by them, 45 in number, are all able to pay their way. They are going to the neighbourhood of Bytown and Toronto.

Passengers, per "Favourite," from Greenock are respectable farmers, and a few labourers, coming out to join their friends. They all proceeded to Montreal in the vessel, on their route to Canada West.

Week ending 16th September.

THE emigrants arrived since the 2d instant are chiefly farmers and labourers, and all have emigrated to join their friends. They have landed generally in good health, notwithstanding their long passages, the average of which is 52 days.

The ship "George," from Dundee, sailed from that port on the 11th June, and called at Cromarty, Thurso, and Locklaxford, for passengers. She afterwards put into Pictou, and there landed 95. Some of these people were from 12 to 13 weeks on board, and complained much of the detention they experienced, owing to the vessel calling at so many ports, which they state they were not aware of when they engaged their passage. They were also detained some days at Pictou, owing to the sickness among the passengers, and arrived here the 88th day from Dundee. The greater portion of them are poor, and notwithstanding the low rate of passage from this to Montreal (2s. 6d. each adult), 43 required to be forwarded at the expense of this department. Six families, 36 persons, were assisted to emigrate; they are proceeding to Zorra, London district, to their friends, but are destitute of means, and unable to reach their destination without assistance.

The passengers per the "Hebe," from Liverpool, 117 in number, were 43 days on their passage; they are principally labourers, and a few mechanics who are proceeding to their friends in Canada West. Thirty-eight passengers per this vessel were forwarded to Montreal by this office. The emigrants per "Hector" and "Caledonia," from Glasgow, are respectable people. In the latter vessel they are chiefly women with families coming out to join their husbands. They are all proceeding to Canada West. Twenty-one passengers per "Medina," from Waterford, are proceeding to their friends in the neighbourhood of Montreal and Kingston, one poor woman going to Halifax to her husband.

The demand for labour has improved during the last fortnight; and it is gratifying to report that there are no emigrants, either at this or the Montreal agency, at present out of employment. The agent at Bytown reports, that from 100 to 150 labourers will obtain employment on the public works on the Ottawa river.

Week ending 23d September.

THE emigrants arrived during the past week have all landed in good health. They consist of farmers and agricultural labourers. There are also among them a large number of women and children, who are coming out to join their husbands. These latter descriptions of persons are all very poor, and in almost every instance require assistance to enable them to reach their friends. These vessels have all made long passages, varying from 40 to 68 days, the average being 50 days.

In consequence of the complaints made by the passengers on board the "Constitution," from Belfast, that they did not receive the proper allowance of water, and that the bread issued by the ship was so bad that they could not eat it, I, on inquiry, finding these complaints fully confirmed by the whole of the passengers, took the necessary proceedings against the master, and the sitting magistrates fined him in two penalties of 25 £ sterling, with costs, which was duly paid. They also complained that the broker with whom they engaged their passage, Messrs. Shaw & Co., promised, and in fact it was stated on their tickets, that the ship's allowance would be 3½ lbs. of biscuit and 3½ lbs. of flour or oatmeal per week; and that consequently many of them only furnished a few other necessities for their voyage, depending on the ship supplying these articles to the extent stated in their tickets. They, however, found after they had sailed, that neither flour nor oatmeal was on board; and that the biscuit issued to them was unfit to eat, being blue-mouldy and rotten. This vessel was 50 days on her passage, and during the latter part of her voyage many of the passengers were reduced to eating the biscuit issued, and a few who had means, were under the necessity of purchasing from the captain, pork and other ship's stores.

The passengers from Aberdeen, in the "Brilliant," are highly respectable farmers, and bring out considerable capital with them; they are proceeding to settle in Canada West. The passengers per "Belle" and "Clio," from Padstow, are agricultural labourers, and are proceeding to join their friends in the Newcastle and Home districts.

One hundred and eighty passengers in the "Sophia," from Liverpool, have had a long passage of 68 days. They all landed in good health. They are principally Scotch and Irish, many of them very poor. They are all proceeding to different sections of Canada West, to their friends. Fourteen families require assistance to enable them to proceed from this. They are mostly women and children, coming out to join their friends.